

## COLORADO WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION

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### RECLAIMED WATER CONTROL REGULATION #84

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### **RESPONSIVE PREHEARING STATEMENT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS**

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The City and County of Denver, acting by and through its Board of Water Commissioners (“Denver Water”), hereby submits this Responsive Prehearing Statement and states as follows.

1. Denver Water is a municipal corporation that provides water to over 1,000,000 people in the Denver metropolitan area. Denver Water has a substantial interest in the proposed regulation because it impacts the ability to utilize reclaimed water as a supply source. Denver Water has a rapidly growing reclaimed water system that currently supplies water to eighty large industrial, commercial and landscape irrigation uses, and it plans to supply 17,500 acre-feet of reclaimed water annually.

2. Denver Water supports the proposed revisions to the Regulation. Denver Water specifically urges the Commission’s approval of the proposed uses for Vehicle Washes and Commercial Laundry, for which Denver Water has interested customers. By supplying recycled water to these customers, Denver Water will be able to save its potable water for other uses.

3. Denver Water further believes that the proposed additional uses are a step in the right direction, but even broader authorization for the use of reclaimed water will be appropriate in the future to promote the use of this important water resource.

Respectfully submitted this 26<sup>th</sup> of March, 2013.

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